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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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Commissioner:

As a supplement to the response filed on May 19, 1998, applicants enclose a copy of a translation of the German reference DE 4,318,885 which was cited by the examiner in the Office action dated February 19, 1998. Applicants request that this translation be considered in the pending application.

As to the disclosure contained in the German reference, it is clear that the reference has little relevance to applicants' invention. While the word "aerosol" appeared in the summary information for this patent which was provided by the examiner, it is clear that when read in the proper context, the term is used not to refer to the spray coating or the way in which a spray coating is to be applied, but instead refers to the contaminants to be treated.

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If the examiner has any remaining questions regarding this or the prior response, she is asked to contact the applicants' attorney at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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